THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Committee for central pollution control guidelines

4705. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a new Committee has been formed to bring changes in CPC guidelines;

(b) if so, the composition of the Committee; and

(c) what are its recommendations and by when it would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Environment & Forests has notified general and source specific standards for various industries to control pollution. The standards and norms are periodically reviewed from time to time with technological development in consultation with the existing Peer/Core Groups and other committees already constituted in the Central Pollution Control Board and the Ministry. The recommendations of such Groups and Committees are assessed in the Ministry and appropriate action taken, wherever necessary, for their implementation through Central and State Pollution Control Boards.

Compensation to affected families of Bhopal Gas Tragedy

4706. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that still there are many affected families of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy who have not been compensated adequately;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to provide relief to these families?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (c) Claim cases have been filed by individual claimants and not by families. In all, 10,29,516 claims were filed under various categories and all the cases have been decided. 5,73,018 claims have been settled and claimants have been awarded a total compensation of Rs. 1542.31 crore. 4,56,498 cases have been rejected. As per orders of